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1. The Czechoslovakian scientist, Matthias (fnu), a specialist in semi-conductor and transistor research who came to East Germany in early October 1954 upon the initiative of WTZ (Department for Scientific-Technical Cooperation), of the State Planning Commission, terminated his visit and returned to Czechoslovakia on 9 November 1954.

2. [redacted] his research on the development of monocrystals from Three-Five compounds in Czechoslovakia did not encounter any material difficulties because he had ample provisions of the elements required. These are mainly procured through import. [redacted] in 1954 he received one kilogram of gallium from East Germany.

2. Comment. East German gallium is mined and refined in the Freiberg region.

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